CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

- 1. A materials storage chest system comprising:
- a storage chest;
- a material dispensing opening; and
- a controller which selectively actuates the material dispensing opening.
- 2. The materials storage chest as recited in claim 1, wherein said controller receives an employee identification to selectively actuate the material dispensing opening.
- 3. The materials storage chest as recited in claim 1, wherein said controller receives a numerical value to actuate the material dispensing opening to dispense a quantity of material equivalent to said numerical value.
- 4. The materials storage chest as recited in claim 3, wherein said numerical value is limited to a predetermined quantity.
- 5. The materials storage chest as recited in claim 1, further comprising a communication system which communicates data from said controller to a remote location.
- 6. The materials storage chest as recited in claim 1, wherein said controller receives an employee identification to selectively actuate the material dispensing opening.
- 7. The materials storage chest as recited in claim 1, wherein said controller comprises a keypad.
- 8. The materials storage chest as recited in claim 1, wherein said storage chest is water resistant.

9. The materials storage chest as recited in claim 1, further comprising a materials receiving basket.

- 10. A materials storage chest system comprising:
- a pipe storage chest;
- a pipe dispensing opening; and

a controller which selectively actuates the pipe dispensing opening, said controller operable to receive an employee identification to selectively actuate the pipe dispensing opening and dispense a quantity of pipe equivalent to an inputed numerical value.

- 11. The materials storage chest as recited in claim 10, wherein said numerical value is limited to a predetermined quantity.
- 12. The materials storage chest as recited in claim 10, further comprising a communication system which communicates data from said controller to a remote location.
- 13. The materials storage chest as recited in claim 10, wherein said controller receives an employee identification to selectively actuate the material dispensing opening.
- 14. The materials storage chest as recited in claim 10, wherein said pipe dispensing opening comprises a rotating door.